STATE OF TENNESSEE
DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH
BUREAU OF HEALTH LICENSURE AND REGULATION
DIVISION OF HEALTH CARE FACILITIES
227 FRENCH LANDING, SUITE 501
HERITAGE PLACE METROCENTER
NASHVILLE, TENNESSEE 37243

HOSPICE
PROCEDURES FOR APPLYING FOR LICENSURE OF A NEW FACILITY

1. You must first apply for a Certificate of Need (CON) from the Health Services and Developmental Agency prior to applying for licensure of this type of facility. Once you obtain a CON you will need to submit a notarized application along with the appropriate licensure fee to the address at the top of the application.

2. Approximately thirty (30) to forty-five (45) days prior to your being ready to open your facility you will need to send a letter to the Regional Office in your area to request a survey of the facility. The Regional Office will notify you to schedule the survey. Be certain that you have given yourself plenty of time to have your policies and procedures in order. If you are not ready on the date of survey it will most likely be thirty (30) days or more before the survey can be rescheduled.

3. Once the survey has been completed the surveyor will tell you if your facility is going to be approved for licensure. The surveyor will forward the appropriate forms to the Regional Office for processing. When the Regional Office completes their tasks the appropriate forms are forwarded to the Central Office Licensure Division in Nashville for processing. The license will then be ordered and an approval letter will be sent to the facility which provides the license number and date of the approval. Once the facility receives the approval letter you may begin providing services. If you would like to have the letter faxed to you so that you may begin operating immediately you may call the Central Office to request this. The license should be received in your facility within seven (7) to ten (10) days.

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CHANGE OF OWNERSHIP PROCEDURES

1. Submit a notarized application along with the appropriate fee and a letter of intent to the address at the top of the application. Include the name of the facility and the projected date of the change of ownership.

2. A letter will be sent acknowledging the receipt of the application and fee. Once the change of ownership has occurred and you receive the closing documents you will need to send a copy of the bill of sale or the documents that indicate that you are now the owner of the facility to:

   Health Care Facilities
   227 French Landing, Suite 105
   Heritage Place Metrocenter
   Nashville, Tennessee 37243

3. When the bill of sale or closing documents are received, this office will notify the Regional Office in your area to request an approval of the change of ownership to be effective the date the closing documents were signed. The Regional Office will review the facility file to see if a survey has been conducted within the previous twelve (12) months with no major deficiencies. If so, an approval form will be submitted to the central office in Nashville to process the change of ownership. If a survey has not been conducted within the previous twelve (12) months or if there were major deficiencies which have not been corrected an on-site survey of the facility will be conducted before the change of ownership is approved.

4. The central office in Nashville will then order a new license for the facility and send a letter to the facility to indicate the change of ownership has been processed. The new license should be received by your facility within seven (7) to ten (10) days. The new ownership can continue to operate the facility under the previous owners license until the new license is received in the facility.

State of Tennessee
Department of Health
227 French Landing, Suite 501
Heritage Place Metrocenter
Nashville, Tennessee 37243
(615) 741-7221

HOSPICE
APPLICATION FOR LICENSE

Name of the Facility/Agency _____

Location of the Facility

Street _____ City _____

County _____ State _____ Zip _____

Telephone Number _____ Fax Number _____ E-Mail address _____

Twenty-four (24) hour emergency phone number _____

Administrator _____

Have you (administrator) ever been convicted of a crime involving injury or harm to person(s), financial or business management (e.g., assault, battery, robbery, embezzlement or fraud)? Yes _____ No _____

If yes, what charge(s)? _____

Where convicted and date: _____

Mailing address of facility if different from the location address

Street _____

City _____ State _____ Zip _____

Ownership of Building _____ _____

Name Phone

Mailing Address _____

FEE SCHEDULE: $800

1. Geographic area served by Agency: (list county or counties) If additional space is needed please use a separate page.

   _____

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2. Check type: Hospital Based _____ Free Standing _____ Home Health Agency _____

Department Use Only: License No. _____ Fee _____

Date License Granted _____

3. Number of branch offices: _____

Address of each branch office: If additional space is needed please use a separate page.

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OWNERSHIP OF BUSINESS

1. a. Check the type of Legal Entity:

_____Individual _____Partnership _____Corporation _____Limited Liability Company

_____Church Related _____Government/County _____Other

b. Check one: _____For Profit _____Non-profit

c. Legal Entity Checked in 1.a:

Name _____ Phone_____

Address _____

d. List name(s) and address(es) of individual owner, partners, directors of the corporation, or head of the governmental entity:

_____

Name Address City, State, Zip

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Name Address City, State, Zip

_____

Name Address City, State, Zip

If additional space is needed please us a separate sheet

2. Is your facility/organization accredited by any other accrediting body (i.e., JCAHO, CARF, etc)?
Yes ____ No ____ Expiration Date _____

3. a. Is this facility chain affiliated? Yes ____ No ____

b. If yes, list name, address and phone number of the parent company.

Name _____ Phone _____

Address _____

4. a. If a corporation, is there a holding company/parent corporation? Yes ____ No ____

If yes, list the name, address and phone number of the hold company/parent corporation.

Name _____ Phone _____

Address _____

5. a. Are any owners of the disclosing entity also owners of other health care facilities in Tennessee and/or other states? Yes____ No____

b. If yes, list names and addresses of all such facilities

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6. a. Do you have a contract with a management firm to operate this facility? Yes ___ No ___

If yes, specify dates: From _____ To _____

_____

b. If yes, please specify name of firm: _____ Phone _____

Address: _____

7. a. Have any owners of the disclosing entity ever been denied a license or had a license suspended or revoked for a health care facility in Tennessee or in any other state? Yes _____ No _____

b. If yes, where? _____ When? _____

c. For what reason? _____

VERIFICATION BY NOTARY PUBLIC

Signer for application certifies that he or she is of responsible character and able to comply with the minimum standards and regulations established by Tennessee pertaining to the type of facility or agency for which application for licensure is made and with the rules promulgated under Tennessee code annotated, § 68-11-201.

Signer also certifies that a policy has been implemented to inform all employees of their obligation under § 71-6-103 to report incidents of abuse or neglect.

_____ _____ _____

(Signed) The Applicant Title or Position Date

State of Tennessee

County of _____

The above named applicant (print name)_____, being by me duly sworn on his/her oath, deposes and says that he/she has read the forgoing application and knows the contents thereof: that the statements concerning the above named facility or agency, therein contained, are correct and true to his/her own knowledge.

Subscribed to and sworn to before this_____, day of _____

Month Year

Notary Public: _____

My commission expires: _____